## An Invited lecture for Gender Sensitization sponsored by TEQIP-III on 'Gandhian Feminism: Design for a Just Society' on September 9, 2019

## A Report



An invited lecture for Gender Sensitization was organized by the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences on 9 September 2019 in L-204, VLTC sponsored by TEQIP-III. Gender sensitization aims at the modification of behavior by raising awareness on gender inequality issues and enabling them to understand construction of gender in socio-cultural contexts.

Prof. Vidya Jain, an eminent scholar of Gandhian, Peace and Gender Studies, delivered the lecture. She illuminated the Gandhian philosophy regarding gender inequalities in society. She opined that in India, when feminism searches for an indigenous model, Gandhi's principles are of great use. Gandhi stood for an egalitarian, non-exploitative and humane society and help in building a society in which gender differences become redundant for meaningful existence of humans. She emphasized need of change in attitude with the help of insightful real-life examples. At the end, the session was open for questions. Students ardently asked coherent and well-thought questions and also shared their experiences which lead to interesting and thought-provoking discussions. The inquisitive young minds knew no boundaries and it was evident that such programs are greatly needed to pave the way for a just society. The lecture was well received by the participants.

The invited lecture was coordinated by Prof. Manju Singh, Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences and Dr. Nidhi Bansal, Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences.